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GET 'EM OFF TONIGHT



TARGET: The Conway girls



Plot to kick out Conway Sisters

EXCLUSIVE
by MARK JEFFERIES

PLOTTING viewers aim to give
the off-key Conway Sisters the
X Factor axe tonight.

Bookies make the singers a cert to go
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GIRL COPS BLASTED IN ARMED RAID – 1 DEAD

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One's king of the Kop

THE future king of England meets the current kings of European football at Anfield – the home of Liverpool FC. Prince Charles, 57, and Camilla, 58, called in at the stadium during a tour of the north west yesterday. They met manager Rafael

Benitez, 45, were shown the European Cup by captain Steven Gerrard, 25, and visited the players' dressing room where they had tea with youngsters from the Prince's Trust football initiative. Charles even drank a cuppa from a "This Is Anfield" mug.

BLAIR HANGS ON

PM defiant as quit calls get louder

DEFIANT Tony Blair last night refused to quit despite growing calls in Labour ranks for him to go.

In a major speech he insisted he was "restless" to get on with his job and push through radical reforms, particularly in schools.

His defiance came as a quarter of Labour chiefs urged him to quit Downing Street within a year.

A BBC survey of local Labour Party chairmen found one in four want Mr



by **MACER HALL**
Political Editor

Blair to resign within a year and a third think he's "no longer an asset". But Mr Blair showed his determination to stay in a key policy speech on education, promising to help poor children do better at school.

Speaking in his Sedgefield constituency in county Durham, the PM spoke of his anger that 17,000 young-

sters leave school every year with no qualifications.

He said: "While that remains I can not rest. I will not until we do all in our power to change that failure."

Choice

Mr Blair, 52, vowed to sweep away the "deadening uniformity" of the comprehensive schools system.

He added: "I want a school system in which middle class and lower income families' children mix happily together and where there are sufficient numbers of good schools to make a parental choice a reality."

But his school plans could be scuppered by further rebellions by fed-up Labour backbenchers.

Mr Blair was given muted support by Gordon Brown yesterday.

And he wanted rebels he would not be a "soft touch" if he comes to power.

Mr Blair is now 12-1 with Ladbrokes to quit before the end of the year.

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DETERMINED: Blair on schools

Cam's Pussy pass

DAVID Cameron's Tory leadership hopes were boosted yesterday when four more MPs pledged their support after his "Pink Pussy" TV grilling by Jeremy Paxman.

Bookies slashed the odds on the 39-year-old nabbing the Conservative crown to 1-25 after he survived the presenter's booze and drugs

by **MACER HALL**

interrogation on BBC2's Newsnight. Interviewer Paxman, 55, harangued Mr Cameron about his links with the drinks industry, testing his knowledge of Pink Pussy and Slippery Nipple cocktails in a clash over binge drinking policy.

MIRACLE mum Abigail Witchalls returned home last night with her week-old baby.

Abigail, 26, was pregnant with son Dominic when she was left paralysed after being stabbed in the neck in April.

She is now at the family home in Little Bookham, Surrey, which husband Benoît, 27, has adapted.

LOTTO DAILY PLAY

FRIDAY, NOV 18

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One ticket matched all 7 balls for the £30,000 jackpot

SATURDAY LOTTO

NOVEMBER 12

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Three tickets share the £5.4m jackpot
EXTRA: 15, 18, 22, 27, 32, 33 T-Ball: 15, 25, 27, 29 (Tb 11)
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WEDNESDAY LOTTO

NOVEMBER 16

4 9 22 24 30 41 20
One ticket won the £2.7 million jackpot.
Extra: 8, 9, 22, 34, 38, 48 T-Ball: 7, 8, 16, 25, 33 (Tb 14)
No Extra winners of £2.7m jackpot. No T-Ball winners.

EURO MILLIONS

FRIDAY, NOV 18

17, 18, 25, 34, 48
Lucky Star Numbers 2, 3

REFUGEE and asylum groups have received more than £75million in National Lottery cash under Labour.

The Government says just 1% of Lotto money goes to such causes. But Tory MP Andrew Rosindell blasted: "Far too much is wasted on obscure causes."

Happy Birthday

Emmerdale star Adele Silva is 25 today. Her boyfriend is I'm A Celeb star Antony Costa.



Thought for day...

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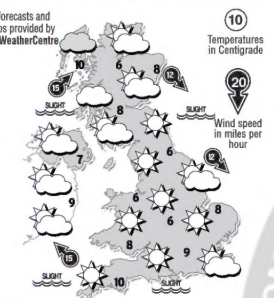
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INFO STATION

TODAY: A frosty start. Freezing fog will clear to leave much of England and Wales with a sunny day. Scotland and Northern Ireland will have sunny periods, but high cloud will move in, making the sunshine more hazy.

OUTLOOK: After another frosty start, it will be dry and bright tomorrow. Northern and western Scotland will have more cloud. The fine but cold weather will continue on Monday.

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■ **PUDSEY BARE:** Kate wears bikini from www.figleaves.com and shrug by Isabell Kristensen. Below left, bikini by Playboy (tel. 0115 970 4544). Below right, Kate and Peter sing their live telly duet



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Kate 'n' Pete's greatest hits

TV DUET FOR NEEDY KIDS

■ by IAIN BURCHELL

■ **GORGEOUS** Kate Price turned chart-buster last night to give a bumper boost to telly's Children in Need appeal.

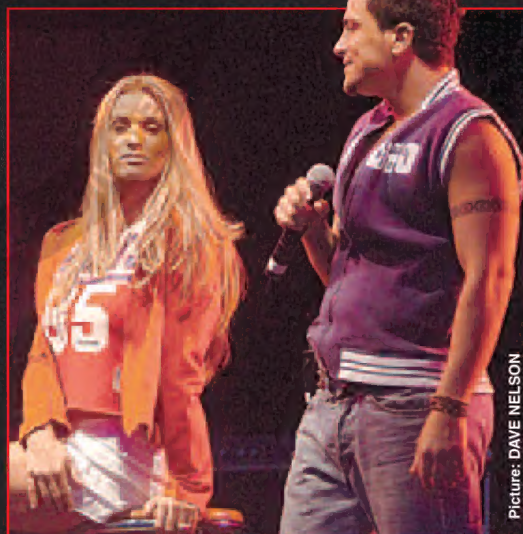
■ Kate delighted millions of fans by teaming up with husband Peter Andre to sing live as part of the Beeb's charity marathon. And they may even release a pop single together.

■ The model, aka Jordan, proved she and 32-year-old Peter are well in tune by duetting on the song played at their wedding - A Whole New World from Disney film Aladdin.

■ Sizzling performances from Madonna, 47, ex-soap babes Nikki Sanderson, 21, and Amy Nuttall, 23, and a host of other stars set the show on target to raise a record £35million.

■ But 27-year-old Kate's fans will be relieved to know she hasn't given up the day job. She showed off her famous curves to model these bikinis - and looked a million herself.

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ANT BASH

by PETER DYKE

IT WAS a case of "I'm a celebrity birthday boy get me a beer" as show co-host Ant McPartlin went on the razzle yesterday.

He took his girlfriend Lisa Armstrong and TV pal Declan Donnelly out for a drink to celebrate his 30th birthday. Ant and Dec are busy preparing for the show to kick off Down Under tomorrow. But they took time out to mark Ant's big day.

Dec, 30 and Lisa, 29, joined the birthday boy on a trip to Byron Bay on the Gold Coast for a beer and a spot of lunch. And you can bet Bushtucker Trial-style grub was NOT on the menu.



BEER WE GO: Ant and Lisa head off to celebrate

I LOVE

Sid's got his eye on bikini girl Kim



STEAMY: Sid



TEASE: Kimberley

EXCLUSIVE

from PETER DYKE in Australia

RANDY Sid Owen says he would love to get Neighbourly with soap babe Kimberley Davies out in the jungle.

Both stars will head off into the Aussie outback today for TV's I'm A Celebrity.

But cheeky Sid has confessed that seeing sexy ex-Neighbours beauty Kimberley in her bikini will get him all steamed up in the rainforest, despite the spiders and snakes.

"I do fancy Kimberley - who doesn't?" said Sid, 33, who played grease monkey Ricky Butcher in East-Enders.

"I know she is married and I respect that."

"But there is nothing to stop me looking. You can look and not touch!"

Nude

Blonde Kimberley, 32 - who played Annalise Hartman in the Aussie show - is happy to give Sid and her army of male fans an eyeful in the Outback.

She revealed she has packed some eye-popping bikinis for I'm A Celeb, which starts tomorrow.

But Kimberley won't be going totally starkers.

"I have turned down offers to pose nude in the past because I was worried what my gran or mum would think," she said.

"So you won't see me naked in the jungle."

After hearing about Sid's flirty intentions, she teased: "Well if he remembers me from Neighbours that was a few years ago."

"I have had two children since. And I don't think we'll be in a very glamorous situation."

However Kimberley says she will miss her surgeon hubby Jason and family - and she admits she'll certainly miss the nookie.

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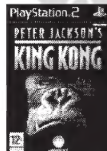
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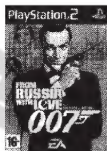
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Celebs' must-have luxuries

THE I'm A Celebrity contestants are allowed to take one luxury item each into the jungle with them. Here's what they've all plumped for...
David Dickinson: Aqua di Parma after-shave to make sure he smells sweet in the heat.
Elaine Lordan:

Vaseline to deter rats and insects.
Jimmy Osmond: A Hummy Bear toy he designed himself.
Sheree Murphy: A pillow for her to cuddle. It's printed with pictures of her children to stop her missing them.
Carol Thatcher: A folding chair so she's

got something softer to sit on than a log.
Sid Owen: He's also chosen a camping chair.
Kimberley Davies: Lip gloss.
Antony Costa: An airbed to sleep on.
Jilly Goodlen: A comfy cushion.
Jenny Frost: Leave-in hair conditioner.

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MAKING WAVES:
David helps
two beach
babes fly
kites – and
earns a kiss

DAVID'S
BEACH
PEACHES

PERMA-TANNED David Dickinson has only been in Australia 24 hours but he's already made time to catch some rays – and a couple of Sheilas.

The Bargain Hunt host, 64, was meant to stay in his luxury hotel ahead of his tough jungle jaunt. But the lure of the glorious sunshine proved too much.

He slipped off for some bronzing – and a spot of kite-flying with a couple of Aussie beauts.



FLYING HIGH: He gets to grips with one girl and risks taking off as he holds the kite controls



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KEANO QUILTS

£100k-a-week skipper storms out in bust-up

by JOHN MAHONEY

ROY KEANE stormed out of Manchester United yesterday when they tried to strip him of the captain's armband.

The Irish hardman, who was fiercely proud of skippering the side and had been with United for 12 years, told pals he'd been treated "worse than dirt".

He arrived yesterday morning with his lawyer and agent Michael Kennedy to meet chief executive David Gill, 48, in the hope of thrashing out his future.

But Gill dropped the bombshell that no new contract extension was on offer and they wanted him out as captain.

No-nonsense Keane, 34, then declared he was walking out immediately on his £100,000-a-week contract.

He was officially said to have left by mutual consent, but a source revealed: "Roy is completely gutted."

"From being respected and part of the inner circle - even touted as a future manager - he's been booted where it hurts."

Matters came to a head on Thursday evening, when he had a bust-up with manager Sir Alex Ferguson's No2, Carlos Queiroz, 52, over tactics.

That came after Keane watched United's reserves beat West Bromwich Albion 4-1 at Hyde United's Even Fields ground.

Vibes

A United colleague said: "Just talking to people there, Roy picked up the vibes that all was not well and his position at the club was in doubt."

"He left the match wondering just what was in store for him when he met the chief exec the following morning. Now we know what the game plan was."

"It seems the club made up their minds some time ago about how they were going to handle him."

Keane played 480 games during his career at United, scoring 51 goals. But he hasn't always seen eye to eye with the club's bosses or his team-mates.

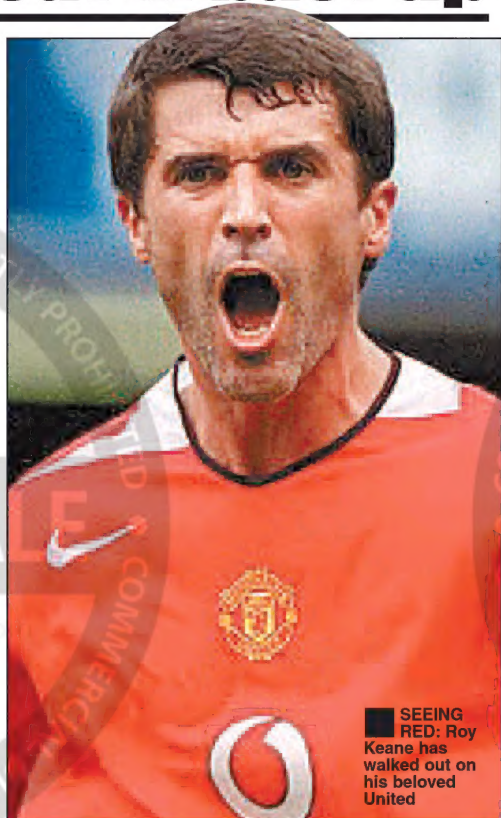
He savaged his fellow players in an interview for the club's MUTV station following the side's 4-1 defeat at Middlesbrough last month.

Furious Sir Alex, 63, ordered it to be shelved. But details leaked out - and Fergie played it to the first team squad which made dad-of-five Keane's position untenable.

The player lives with wife Theresa, 33, in a £1.4million mansion in Hale, Cheshire.

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KEANO SPECIAL: SEE STARSPOOT



SEEING RED: Roy Keane has walked out on his beloved United

Ron in clear over 'rape'



CLEARED: Ronaldo

MANCHESTER United pin-up Cristiano Ronaldo is set to be cleared over rape claims.

It was alleged he raped a woman in a luxury London hotel suite.

But the Crown Prosecution Service will announce within days that there is not enough evidence to prosecute the Portuguese international, according to sources. The 20-year-old winger

by JAMES WICKHAM

- who signed a two-year contract extension yesterday to keep him at Old Trafford until 2010 - told friends he was the victim of a "stitch-up".

Two French women made allegations to police. But witnesses at London's Sanderson Hotel told police they had seen the women laughing and flirting with Ronaldo.

Pictures: JOHN GILES / PA

MORLEY ST.

SCENE OF HORROR:
An armed officer
stands guard last night in
the street where the two
police girls were shot



ROOKIE GIRL COPPER SHOT DEAD IN RAID Massive hunt for gunmen



TARGET: The travel agents where the raid took place



KILLED: Yvonne



KILLED: Alison

A ROOKIE policewoman was shot dead and another seriously wounded yesterday as they tried to stop an armed robbery.

The two unarmed officers were called to a city centre travel agent's shop to investigate reports of a raid.

Witnesses said they were confronted by gunmen, who opened fire at point-blank range into their chests before fleeing.

Injured

Onlookers desperately tried to save the life of the most seriously injured officer, in her mid-thirties, but she is thought to have died instantly.

The other policewoman was rushed to hospital, where she was last night undergoing emergency treatment for serious gunshot wounds.

Up to 100 police were drafted in to hunt for the gunmen as the area surrounding the shooting in Morley

by JERRY LAWTON

Street, Bradford, West Yorks, was sealed off. Armed officers were guarding an alleyway near a taxi office.

It is believed the policewoman who died was a "probationer" who had only been in the force a few months.

The West Yorkshire force is still reeling from the murder of Pc Paul Broadhurst, 34, by US gangster David Bleber, 38, in Leeds on Boxing Day 2003.

The two women Pcs were called to the Universal Express shop at 3.25pm yesterday.

Property developer Amer Khan, 24, who was nearby when the shooting happened, said: "A lad told me three Jamaican guys robbed the shop. When they were confronted by two police women, they shot them."

"I saw people trying to give one officer the kiss of life. It's shocking."

Another witness said: "Why were two unarmed policewomen sent to deal with an armed robbery? And we

heard they were not even fully qualified police."

Last night Home Secretary Charles Clarke said he was "shocked and saddened" by the tragedy.

Only three other women police officers have died in the line of duty in the past 20 years.

Yvonne Fletcher, 25, was shot by a sniper hiding in the Libyan Embassy in London as she tried to control demonstrators during a bloody 11-day siege in April, 1984. Her murderer has never been brought to justice.

Stabbed

Nina MacKay, 25, was stabbed to death while trying to arrest a suspect in East London in October 1997. Her killer Magdi Elgizouli, 30, was sent to a mental hospital.

And Pc Alison Armitage, 29, was run down by a stolen car in Hollinwood, near Oldham, four years ago. Car thief Thomas Whaley, 19, of Oldham, was jailed for eight years for manslaughter.

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 7.00pm: The X Factor (ITV1)
 8.10pm: Xtra Factor (ITV2)
 9.10pm: X Factor – the results (ITV1)
 9.10pm: Strictly Come Dancing – results (BBC1)
 9.40pm: Xtra Factor (ITV2)

MONDAY
 12.10am: I'm A Celebrity Get Me Out Of Here Live! (ITV2)
 12.35am: I'm A Celebrity Get Me Out Of Here Live! (ITV1)
 2.30am: I'm A Celebrity Get Me Out Of Here Live! (ITV2)

SUNDAY
 10.55am: The X Factor & Results Show (rpt) (ITV1)

★ BRITAIN will go reality TV mad this weekend with over 30million viewers watching their faves.
 ★ More than half the population will watch either X Factor or Strictly Come Dancing, both of which boot out their sixth contestants, or the new I'm A Celebrity.
 ★ And betting on the shows is set to reach new heights, with bookies predicting a whopping £5 million to be wagered.
 ★ Ladbroke's Robin Hutchison said: "It will be the biggest weekend of reality TV betting ever."

Singalonga Chico Time

HERE'S the song that every X Factor fan is talking about – and we've got all the words to It's Chico Time so you can sing along with Chico, 34. Sometimes it feels so good, I can't remember bad; My inner clock is ticking and the back beat drives me mad. It's erotic, exotic, hypnotic that's for sure; Put a smile on your face and take you to a place you never been before.

(Get up) let it all hang out; (Jump back) gonna scream and shout (Hey!) Don't you wanna get out of line; Everybody say "What time is it?" – It's Chico Time!

Chorus Well you can get delirious, if you take life too serious. It's Chico time; It's Chico time! Well you can get delirious, if you take life too serious. It's Chico time!

Get up in the song, You can't do nothing wrong; In front of the mirror like there's a party going on. If you want it you got it, go get it baby can't you see; Don't fantasise, just realise you're happy to be free.

Shake it naughty come on baby bump my body. If you don't dig reality then baby just lay it on me. It's Chico time. Go Chico go Chico go. Go Chico go Chico go.



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LOUIS IN BLAST AT 'KARAOKE' ROBBIE

EXCLUSIVE

by MARK JEFFERIES

ANGRY Louis Walsh lost the plot in an amazing rant about The X Factor and Robbie Williams.

He slammed his fellow judges Simon Cowell and Sharon Osbourne for having "big egos". And he followed that up with a savage attack on "karaoke singer" Robbie, 31, before calling his own former act Boyzone "two good singers and three Ringo Starrs".

In a shock outburst the Irish music mogul said Sharon, 53, over-reacted to his decision to vote off Maria, 30, instead of The Conway Sisters.

Louis, 53, added: "Sharon is an actress and she'll take anything out of the hat and go with it. If she's so caring then let her get Maria a record deal and hey Maria's done well out of this."

"I've taken flak but it was a tough decision."

Turning to Cowell, 46, he said: "Simon thinks the show is all about him."

"He's so self-centred. He got cross with me when I referred to him on the show as having his teeth done but I've come out of my shell since last year."

"Simon chose me to be on the programme because I love music. He doesn't! He doesn't even buy CDs."

Happy

Asked for his opinion on both his fellow judges he said: "They've both got pretty big egos and we love a good row."

Louis then started on Robbie Williams. And he couldn't disguise his glee after his band Westlife knocked Robbie off the top of the album charts.

He said: "I'm delighted about that. Robbie is just a jumped up karaoke singer. I have no idea why he's been so successful."

He then hit out at his former group Boyzone, saying only "Stephen Gately and Ronan Keating were good singers".

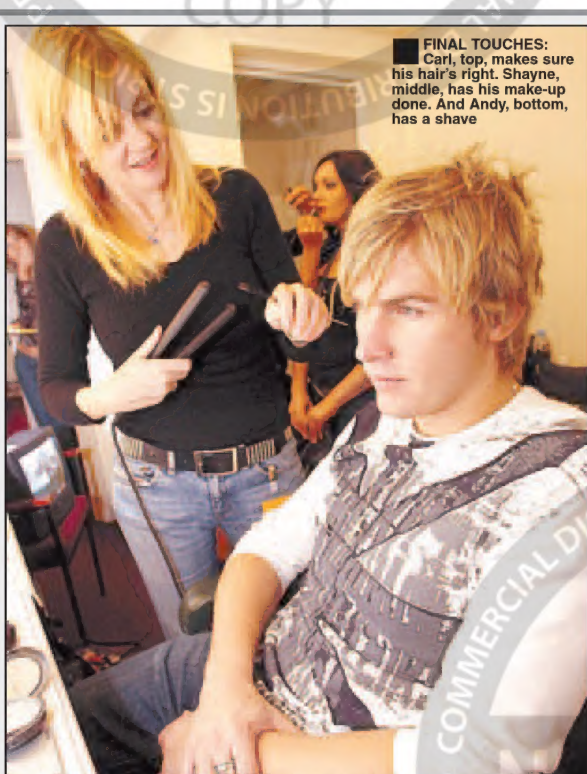
During the last series Louis rarely had a bad word to say - but he has spoken up this time.

Louis said: "I don't think I'm rude to people, not at all. I'm being realistic."

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SAVAGED: Robbie, left, has been attacked by Louis, above



FINAL TOUCHES: Carl, top, makes sure his hair's right. Shayne, middle, has his make-up done. And Andy, bottom, has a shave



Knives out for Sisters

From Page One

in the face of the fans' conspiracy. "On the online chatrooms all the talk is about plotting to get the Conways out and making sure no one votes for the girls," said a show source last night.

"They're a dead cert to be in the bottom two and we don't think the judges will go against the public again so they look likely to go."

Millions of viewers were shocked last week when judge Louis Walsh

backed the four Irish singers to stay ahead of sexy Maria Lawson, 30.

"The girls might have got saved by Louis last time around but we don't think he'll make the same mistake again," said the source.

"The girls have got so much pressure on them to improve and they are really struggling."

Bookies Ladbrokes said they had been "knocked over" by punters trying to back the girls for the chop. They made them 4-6 for the axe

and spokesman Robin Hutchison said: "Even the Irish mafia won't be able to save them this time."

Sisters Sharon, 28, Sinead, 23, Marie, 21, and Laura, 18, have been struggling to defend themselves against all the criticism this week.

Their dad Kieran said: "The girls have been left very hurt."

"I've read some of the comments left on websites and they are nothing short of racist."

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HUSH HUSH

WHICH showbiz beauty threw a major strop at a beauty salon when her spray tan came out too dark? The brunette stormed out of the northern venue before walking into the rain and ending up with streaky skin. So the diva spent two hours scrubbing herself in a bid to remove the marks and a further three hours crying to friends. It's high time she came off the smelly stuff and got a grip.

THE GOSS

Live at A Night With The Stars



With CHARLI MORGAN, LEIGH PURVES and AMY WATTS

COLEEN FOR HOLLYOAKS

Wayne's girl lands part in soap

COLEEN McLoughlin is heading for the bright lights of TV soapland.

For we can reveal that a major telly firm is hoping to sign up the blonde babe to star in *Hollyoaks*.

And bosses at Mersey TV are hoping that the 19-year-old girlfriend of England star **Wayne Rooney**, 20, will take up their offer.

A TV insider said: "They all think Coleen is absolutely scrumptious."

"She is everything they could wish for and more. She is a lovely, talented person who has a very high profile."

She was certainly on top form when we met her at A Night With The Stars ball in aid of Childline at St George's Hall in Liverpool.

She revealed: "I've been really busy recently, but I'd love to have a crack at acting. And I do love *Hollyoaks*."

She also insisted she isn't



COL-LARED: Our Amy and Leigh party with dazzling Coleen

ready to tie the knot with Wayne - because she's simply "too young".

She added: "There always seems to be a pressure to marry and it's just not us. I'm just not ready."

Desire

Coleen was sitting with pals, including hunky *Hollyoaks* actor **Guy Burnet**, 21, aka Craig Dean.

He said: "She would be absolutely fantastic (in *Hollyoaks*). The ratings would rocket."

Coleen revealed her desire to star on screen earlier this year when she said: "What people don't know is I've got 11 GCSEs including an A* in performing arts, so I'd be able to hold my own."

And we've no doubt the Liverpoolian lovely would.

Oh Lizzie it's cold inside

LIZ McLarnon did her best to turn up the heat when she performed at the Childline event in Liverpool in a bright red frock.

The ex-*Atomic Kitten*, 23, entertained the crowd before mingling among guests and confessing she was "freezing cold" while nipping to the nearest loo.

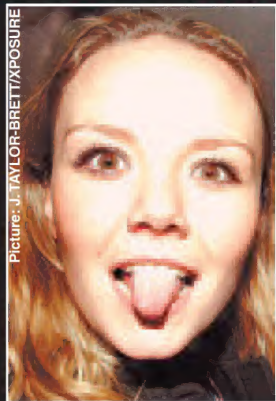
A feeling we could sympathise well with...

HERE'S LICKING AT YOU

IT was a case of tongues out for the lads when ex-EastEnders actress **Charlie Brooks** and socialite **Tamara Beckwith** hit the town.

Charlie, 24, left, seemed happy to pose for photos after leaving London's Pangaea nightclub.

But 35-year-old Tamara wasn't so keen to be pictured after partying at the British Red Cross Gala Ball, right. Mmm... can't think why.



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Hot Alex so cool

GORGEOUS blonde **Alex Curran** left folks baffled with her bizarre behaviour at the afterparty for the charity event in Liverpool.

England ace **Steven Gerrard's** 23-year-old girlfriend let her hair down at the glitzy Newz Bar & Cafe but refused to comment on reports she is two months pregnant with her second child.

One guest said: "She was dancing with her mates and having a laugh but when asked about whether or not she was expecting, she was far from happy."

Earlier in the evening she proved prepared when her shorts slipped down... quickly rescuing her modesty with a safety pin.

Every Girl Guide, eh Alex...



Picture: MCPX

HAVE YOU GOT SOME JUICY GOSSIP FOR US?

SPOTTED

IN London: Kirsten Dunst wearing shades at Heathrow, Terminal 1, Sadie Frost drinking water whilst walking along Belsize Lane and sexy Cold Feet star James Nesbitt on Hampstead High Street. Rhys Ifans at The Orwell pub, Islington. Ray Winstone in the Grosvenor House Hotel bar and Jade Goody on her mobile at Victoria Station.

Kim's bridal frown

WE think Rod Stewart's girl Kimberly is having a tough time.

Just when we hear the 26-year-old model has announced her engagement to TV star Talan Torriero, we're now told her future mother-in-law has put a dampener on things.

According to reports she is far from happy. An insider said: "The couple

are getting their paperwork together to get married in Vegas this weekend.

"They want to do it right away but Talan's mother is hysterically crying."

Kimberly showed off her five-carat diamond engagement ring to pals Paris, 24, and Nicky Hilton, 22, when she and Torriero, 19, star of reality show Laguna Beach, went to a Beverly Hills party. We say go for gold girl!

Picture: REX FEATURES



JENNY'S CUPS RUN OVER AT FOOTIE NIGHT

JENNIFER Ellison is not only one hell of a foxy female - she's more forgiving than most.

Liverpudlian Jen, 22, kissed and made up with fiancé Tony Richardson, after he spent nearly £5,000 of their cash on two tickets to the World Cup Finals at a charity auction, before telling the bubbly blonde he was going to take his mate - and not her.

Jen's long-term love Tony, 26, was the first eager bidder at the city's St George's Hall when he offered £4,800 for the pair of exclusive tickets for the event in Germany.

Pal

Jen looked lost for words when he joked he'd be taking a pal.

She said: "Honestly, when Tony bid that much cash I was embarrassed. Then he told me he was going to take a friend - and not me."

"I guess he was only messing around but he did manage to have me on for a few minutes - I was not impressed!" Up-front Jen, who has four films coming out next year, also laughed: "Honestly, I think my boobs look too big in this blouse."

Picture: CHRIS NEILL



BEING single isn't getting Sophie Anderton down, as she proved when lending her support to the Night With The Stars Childline event in Liverpool.

Despite finding she was wearing the same dress as another guest, top model Sophie, 28, said happily: "I'm so pleased not having to worry about a boyfriend."

"And reports linking me to Kaz from the Bodyrockers were rubbish - we're just mates." Form an orderly queue gents...

Painful, Jason?

JASON Statham pays people to stamp on his back.

The hardman actor, 33, loves massages and hates therapists tending to him too gently.

He revealed: "I can't stand a soft soothing massage. I like someone to hurt me."

The star also revealed he is

looking forward to finding love, after finishing a long-term relationship with Kelly Brook, 25.

He said: "The world is full of great people and I just wait for the magic to arrive. When you're not looking, it finds you."

Could you "not look" in our direction, please?

QUICKIE..

NAOMI Campbell has spoken about her charity initiative Fashion For Relief. The event raised £1million for the survivors of Hurricane Katrina when it closed New York's Olympus Fashion Week in September. "I want to thank everyone for donating their time and talent," the 35-year-old said.

Phar from stupid

PHARRELL Williams wants a bookworm for a girlfriend.

The 32-year-old rapper and super-producer says he's after a woman with intellect.

Can I Have It Like That star Pharrell says: "I like a girl who has high expectations in life and is interested in different things."

I love girls who are avid readers. That's really attractive to me.

"They'd have to be smart and pretty too. In that order."

The singer also admitted that he likes girls... with red toes.

He explains: "Red is very sexy on a girl's toes."

Is there anything else mate?

QUICKIE..

REESE Witherspoon feels like a rodent.

The actress, 29, says caring for her two children and making movies is like living in a hamster wheel.

She said: "The most important thing is my children and them being happy and healthy."

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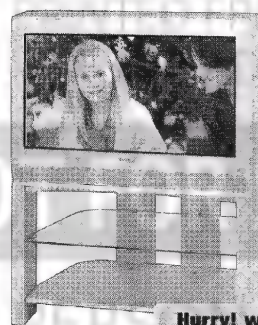
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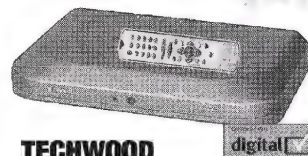
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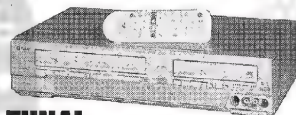
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PC LOONIES BAN XMAS REINDEER

Santa's pals a 'health hazard'

by JERRY LAWTON
CHILDREN have been banned from pattering Santa's reindeer - because bureaucrats reckon they're a health hazard.

Civic bigwigs said a festive procession could go ahead only if first-aiders provided antiseptic hand-wipes wherever the reindeer went.

They also insisted on a dedicated team of sleigh stewards to keep youngsters away from the creatures.

Organisers of the Festival Of Christmas parade in Beverley, East Yorks, said there was no need for a fuss. The 30,000-strong crowd expected to line the route would be behind metal barriers - and wouldn't get within 8ft of Santa's sleigh.

But council chiefs insisted on the safety plan in case children accidentally brushed past the unhygienic reindeer.

POLITICAL CORRECTNESS GONE MAD

Burden

Now organisers have reluctantly agreed to the moves - and have hired a team of stewards armed with handwipes.

Last night Beverley and Holderness MP Graham Stuart blasted it as "officialdom gone mad".

He said: "The Festival Of Christmas committee have nearly given up because of the burden of regulations. It got down to the point where I believe it was suggested they should have portable hand-washing facilities following any reindeer around in case any child touched one."

But a senior council source blamed the regula-

tions on Britain's growing "compensation culture".

He said: "If a child did happen to pick up germs from one of the reindeer and we had not acted on the potential risk then we would be wide open for legal action."

Santas picketed Parliament yesterday in protest at "politically correct" bans on traditional Christmas celebrations. The Santas, from the Lakeside shopping centre grotto in Essex, waved posters saying "Santas For Justice" and "Ho, Ho, Ho, Not No, No, No."

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WHERE'S OUR TORCHLIGHT?

by GARY NICKS
TORCHES have been banned from a festive TORCHLIGHT procession because of health and safety fears.

Marchers won't even be able to carry candles... in case people with long hair catch fire.

Instead, kilnjoy councillors in the Cornish harbour town of Looe have blown £350 on 500 plastic glowsticks for the December 15 event.

Mayor Ron Overd sighed: "These days, people are suing at the drop of a hat. What we are talking about is naked flames, hot wax, long hair, cars with wax sprayed on them. We decided it would be prudent to use some other form of lighting."

But Looe resident John Andrews, 55, stormed: "How can you possibly have a torchlight procession with glowsticks? We'll be a laughing stock."

Water

And retired teacher Ann Richards, 60, fumed: "I just can't believe it. The traditional procession was one of the reasons my husband and I moved to Looe."

"People were so careful with the torches and there were barrels of water all along the route."

"This ban is quite simply bureaucracy gone completely mad."



Tatt's a nice place mum



COKE shame model Kate Moss set tongues wagging that she'd switched to needles - but only for a tattoo. She was snapped leaving a tattoo and piercing parlour in New York with daughter Lila Grace, three.

Kate, 31, has been in the Big Apple getting her life back on track after a spell in an Arizona rehab clinic and we showed yesterday how she has bounced back to land a slot posing topless in the 2006 Pirelli calendar.

Meanwhile, her on-off boyfriend Pete Doherty, 26, has had the face of a man accused of selling snaps of Kate snorting cocaine blanked out of his new video.

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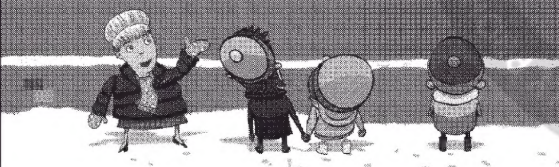
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Oh Kev! You're off yer head



CORN CROP:
Kevin shows off
his bizarre bonce
in the Big Apple

■ CRIKEY, Kev - what's that on your head? Britney Spears seems to have had her first hair-raising look at her hubby's new barnet.
Kevin Federline, 27, revealed the weird plaited "cornrow" style as he went on a shopping spree with pals in New York.
He had arrived in the Big Apple with singer Britney, 23, who was there to work on some new tracks.
But the mum of new tot Sean Preston made time for some pampering sessions of her own.
She popped to a salon to get new false nails - although by the look on her face it wasn't a lot of laughs.



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TOUR SONG: Matt Lucas

Dafydd's tip top for Xmas

by MAZ PARTASIDES
MINCING Little Britain star Dafydd is set to bag the Christmas No.1 spot with his show-stopping single from their nationwide tour.

The only gay in the village finishes his live set with a hilarious pop opera song.

And paid-up fans are begging creators Matt Lucas, 31, and David Walliams, 33, to release it as a novelty record in time for the festive season.

Spread betting experts Bethilo reckon the single would sell 100,000 copies in its first week.

Huge

A spokesman said: "The show is absolutely huge at the moment and a Christmas single is sure to rocket to No.1."

If it does it will follow in the footsteps of other Chrimbo novelty hits such as Mr Blobby in 1993 and kids' single Bob The Builder in 2000.

LITTLE Britain was big news for viewers on Thursday night - when a massive 9.5million tuned in for the first show in the programme's third series.

When the second series started last year, the opening show pulled in 4.5m.

A BBC spokesman said: "It's an incredible return."



Flu drug warning

THE drug being stockpiled to protect against bird flu could be linked to deaths and madness in children.

Tamiflu - the brand name of oseltamivir - is being investigated by the US Food and Drug Administration.

Some reports claim 12 Japanese children aged one to 16 died after taking the drug and that two boys, aged 12 and 13, threw themselves out of upstairs windows.

It's claimed Tamiflu can also cause severe skin reactions.

The Roche company, who sell the drug, say that the side-effects are rare given the millions of people who have taken it.

BESTIE BACK IN INTENSIVE CARE

GEORGE Best was rushed back into intensive care yesterday suffering from "a new and severe infection".

The football legend was "very poorly" last night.

His son Calum, 24, and pal and former Manchester United team-mate Denis Law, 65, were at his bedside.

Best, 59, was hooked up to a dialysis machine to save his failing kidneys and

by GARY NICKS

is also on oxygen. He'd been making steady progress after fighting back from the brink of death two weeks ago.

Setback

But worried doctors last night revealed that his condition has deteriorated again.

Best had been recovering on a ward at the private Cromwell Hospital in

west London after responding well to treatment.

But he was transferred back into intensive care yesterday morning after suffering a "big setback".

Prof Roger Williams, who performed Best's liver transplant three years ago, said: "He's got a new and severe infection, he's on dialysis and he's very poorly at the moment."

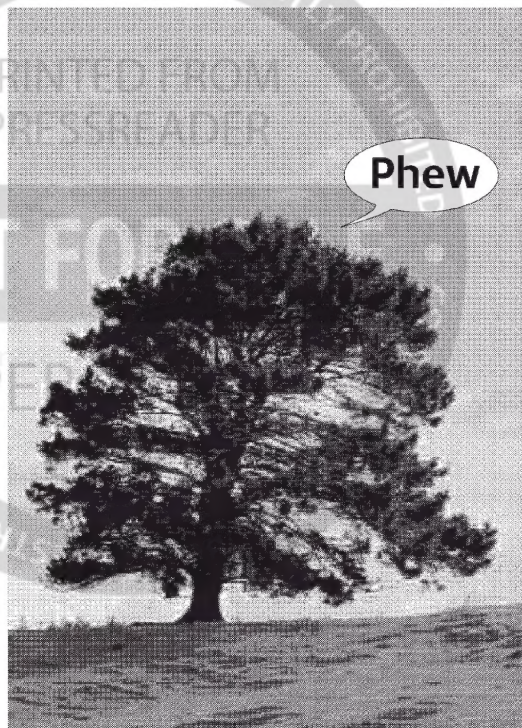
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WORRY: Best has suffered a "big setback"



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MARK FINDS A LOST LOVE



PLEA: Mark Owen

TAKE That star Mark Owen put out an appeal for "his first true love" on a radio station - and struck gold last night.

Mark, 33, spoke of lost holiday love "Sammy from Barnsley" on Sheffield's Hallam FM radio station.

Mother-of-two Sammy Jaye, 34, above, now a Kylie Minogue tribute artist, called in to "Owen" up - and revealed he was a "really good kisser".

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THE PREZZIE TO DIAL FOR

Garter perfect for a mobile

by NADINE LINGE

THE saucy garter Charlotte Church flaunted in a hot video has got a new use – as a sexy accessory for mobile phones.

Phone operator 3 and luxury lingerie label Agent Provocateur have launched the limited-edition silk garter in time to become a must-have Christmas prezzie.

It has a special pocket for women's phones to keep them safe during the boozy party season, after research showed thousands of women lose their mobile on drunken nights out.

The garter is just the solution for booze-loving Charlotte, 19, who's often pictured stumbling out of clubs after downing vodka and champagne.

Lace

Agent Provocateur boss Serena Rees said: "I'm sure the garters will be popular gifts with men who are tired of carrying their girlfriend's phone around in their pockets on nights out. "The garter is a perfect example of fashion meeting functionality."

In the video for her raunchy number Call My Name, gorgeous Charlotte is seen modelling the black garter with pink lace-trimmed pocket for her phone.

The sizzling promo then sees curvy Charlotte strut her way through a sexy dance routine dressed in a red-and-black corset and knee-high boots.

The garter is available exclusively from the new 3 store, which opens today at Britain's biggest shopping centre Bluewater in Kent.

"Nowadays mobile phones are seen as just as important on a night out as keys or money," said Graeme Oxby from 3.

"With thousands of phones lost in the run-up to Christmas we hope the garter will offer a stylish and practical solution for women during the party season."

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HOT LINE:
Charlotte wears the garter in her sexy video



SEXY: But not a good gift

Undies gift rapped

BRIT gals love wearing sexy undies – but don't want them as presents.

Scanties from lovers, huddies or boyfriends topped a Xmas irritation list for 90% of women in a survey of 20 to 45-year-olds.

The online Internet Woman's Forum said:

"It's irritating for a woman to receive underwear as a present from a man. She knows he's really bought a present for himself!"

And 20% of the 3,500 women interviewed complained their blokes made no effort to wear sexy male undies.

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